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HOLD FOR OPENING OF BUSINESS

1. INTEREST OF ECONADS ADVISORS IN BASKET II FOLLOW-UP IS WELCOME. AT OCT. 9 MEETING, MISSION MAY WISH TO DRAW ON PREVIOUS MESSAGES AND THE FOLLOWING:

-- ECONADS CAN PLAY A USEFUL ROLE IN MONITORING WARSAW PACT PERFORMANCE ON BASKET II ISSUES.

-- WE REMAIN OPEN TO SUGGESTIONS FROM ALLIES ON SPECIFIC AREAS IN WHICH WE SHOULD MONITOR PERFORMANCE OR COORDINATE ACTIVITIES.

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2. RESUMPTION OR PRACTICE OF INVITING ALLIED ECE REPS TO CONSULT WITH ECONADS STRIKES US AS A USEFUL MEANS TO

INCREASE ALLIED COORDINATION IN CSCE IMPLEMENTATION. UNLESS GENEVA PERCEIVES SOME OBJECTION, MISSION SHOULD ENDORSE THIS FRENCH SUGGESTION.

3. WE QUESTION ADVISABILITY OF SCHEDULING EARLY ECONADS MEETING REINFORCED BY EXPERTS FROM CAPITALS, AS SUGGESTED PARA 2, REF A. GENEVA 7251 (BEING REPEATED) REPORTS THAT EC NINE LED OPPOSITION AT RECENT MEETING OF ECE SENIOR ADVISERS ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TO EARLY DEFINITION OF WORK PROGRAM BASED ON CSCE MANDATE. IT IS UNCLEAR AS YET WHETHER NINE WERE MERELY STALLING FOR TIME TO PREPARE JOINT INITIATIVES OR WHETHER THIS PRESAGES A NEGATIVE ATTITUDE TOWARD CSCE FOLLOW-UP IN ECE IN GENERAL. WE PREFER TO WAIT FOR EC NINE ATTITUDES TO CLARIFY BEFORE TAKING UP QUESTION OF SENDING EXPERTS FROM CAPITALS.

4. CCMS PLENARY MEETING OCTOBER 14-15 WILL OFFER GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO SOUND OUT ALLIED ATTITUDES TOWARD ENVIRONMENTAL AND TRANSPORTATION ASPECTS OF CSCE. AS NOTED REF C, US CCMS DELEGATION PLANS TO COMMENT ON THESE ELEMENTS OF BASKET 2 DURING ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION.

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USNATO SHOULD, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, CIRCULATE TO OTHER MISSIONS THE INFORMATION THAT US DEL PLANS TO A) OUTLINE NATURE OF CURRENT US ENVIRONMENTAL COOPERATION WITH USSR AND OTHER EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES; B) INDICATE POTENTIAL DESIRABILITY OF SELECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES AS PART OF CSCE FOLLOW-UP; AND C) SEEK ALLIED COMMENTS AS TO EXTENT OF CURRENT ENVIRONMENTAL COOPERATION WITH EASTERN COUNTRIES AND

VIEWS CONCERNING POSSIBLE ADVANTAGES OF EXPANDING THESE
IN LIGHT OF CSCE. MISSION SHOULD ENCOURAGE ALLIES TO
COME TO PLENARY PREPARED TO COMMENT ALONG ABOVE LINES
AND TO PARTICIPATE IN USEFUL DISCUSSION OF SUBJECT AT
ROUND TABLE.

5. MISSION SHOULD MAKE CLEAR TO ALLIES THAT IN TAKING
UP IS SUGGESTION TO DISCUSS CSCE FOLLOW-UP AT CCMS
PLENARY, US IS MAKING USE OF LOGICAL FORUM FOR
INFORMATIVE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS BY ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY
OFFICIALS. FURTHERMORE, WHILE WE ARE PREPARED TO SHARE
OUR EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE ON A SELECTIVE BASIS, WE
BELIEVE IT WOULD BE MOST APPROPRIATE THAT OUR WEST
EUROPEAN ALLIES, TO MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE, TAKE THE
INITIATIVE IN ARRANGING CSCE FOLLOW-UP, INCLUDING
COOPERATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES WITH EAST EUROPEANS.

6. FYI. WE ARE CURRENTLY PREPARING FOR SERIES OF
MEETINGS BEARING ON THIS SUBJECT. STANOVNIK, EXECUTIVE
SECRETARY ECE, SCHEDULED TO BE IN WASHINGTON OCTOBER 20
TO DISCUSS FUTURE ECE ROLE IN CSCE FOLLOW-UP. JOINT
US-USSR ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION WILL REVIEW BILATERAL
PROGRAM IN WASHINGTON, OCTOBER 28-31. PREPARATORY
MEETING OF ECE SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISERS IS
SCHEDULED TO MEET IN GENEVA, OCTOBER 30-31, TO CONSIDER
AGENDA ITEM ON CSCE FOLLOW-UP. FINALLY, OECD ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE WILL MEET IN PARIS, NOVEMBER 12-14, WHERE THIS
TOPIC MIGHT WELL BE DISCUSSED INFORMALLY. IN VIEW OF
OUR NEED TO ADDRESS FOLLOW-UP ISSUE IN THE ABOVE
MEETINGS, WE NEED ALLIED REACTION TO CSCE ENVIRONMENTAL
FOLLOW-UP. END FYI.

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